

HOUSE BILL 776

By Vaughn

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 36,
Chapter 2, Part 3, relative to paternity and
legitimation.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 36-2-313, is amended by deleting subsection (c) in its entirety and by adding the following language as new subsections:

(c) The court shall include in each order of parentage an order that the nonprevailing party pay into the court an amount equal to the sum of any fees required to be paid by the department of health, or any successor to the department, for the processing or issuance of a birth certificate. Any money paid into court pursuant to this subsection (c) shall be received by the clerk and paid out by the clerk as required by subsection (d).

(d) When an order of parentage has been entered, the clerk of the court shall forthwith transmit a certified copy of the order and the completed application for a new certificate of birth by parentage to the registrar of vital records who shall issue a new certificate of birth by parentage in conformity with the rules and regulations of the department of health. Upon receipt of the fee required by the department of health, the clerk shall transmit such fee to the registrar of vital records. Notwithstanding any law or regulation to the contrary, the registrar shall not be required to issue a new certificate of birth until such fee is paid.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2007, the public welfare requiring it.